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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of** : Hassan S. Niknafs  
**Art Unit** : 1775  
**Examiner** : Xu, Ling X.  
**Serial No.** : 10/761,559  
**Confirmation No.** : 2859  
**Filed** : January 21, 2004  
**For** : CERAMIC PACKING ELEMENT FOR MASS  
TRANSFER APPLICATIONS

**RESPONSE A****AMENDMENT UNDER 1.111**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
**Commissioner for Patents**  
**P.O. Box 1450**  
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**Sir:**

In response to the Official Action dated October 13, 2005, and with consideration to the Three Month Petition and Fee for Extension of Time (37 C.F.R. 1.136 [a]), please amend the specification and claims as follows: